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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Alfred D. Commins, Michael W. Bugbee and Mark G. Crawford

Application No.: 09/692,674

Group No.: 3673

Filed: October 18, 2000

Examiner: Safavi, Michael

For: Screw Fastener in Multi-Ply Wood Structure Shear Connection

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

- i. Payment of the issue fee

Prior to payment of issue fee.

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ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:
An amendment

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 750.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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CLAIMS REMAINING AFER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE			ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL 16	- 20	= 0	x \$ 18.00	= \$		0.00	
INDEP. 4	- 3	= 1	x \$ 84.00	= \$		84.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 280.00	= \$	0.00	
				TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		\$ 84.00	

Total additional fee required is \$84.00

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.
Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$ 750.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$ 84.00
Total F e(s) Due:	\$ 834.00

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Check is attached for the sum of \$834.00.

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INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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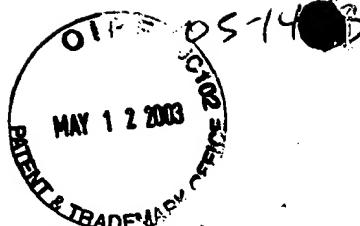


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AMENDMENT SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

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Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

25 Amendments

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